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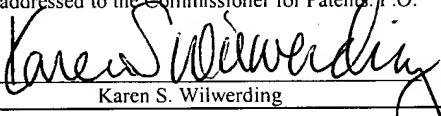
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action of July 30, 2003 (the "Office Action").

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Amendments to the Specification: None.

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Amendments to the Drawings: See remarks on page 5 of this Response.

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